

# **STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC IMPACT TO SMALL BUSINESSES**

- 1. Name of Board, Committee or Council:** Board of Nursing
- 2. Rulemaking hearing date:** December 19, 2006
- 3. Types of small businesses that will be directly affected by the proposed rules:**

The Board has concluded that small businesses will not be directly affected by the proposed rules.

- 4. Types of small businesses that will bear the cost of the proposed rules:**

The Board has concluded that small businesses will not bear any costs because of the proposed rules.

- 5. Types of small businesses that will directly benefit from the proposed rules:**

The Board has concluded that small businesses will not directly benefit from the proposed rules.

- 6. Description of how small business will be adversely impacted by the proposed rules:**

The Board has concluded that small businesses will not be adversely impacted by the proposed rules.

- 7. Alternatives to the proposed rule that will accomplish the same objectives but are less burdensome, and why they are not being proposed:**

The Board has concluded that there are no less burdensome alternatives to the proposed rules.

- 8. Comparison of the proposed rule with federal or state counterparts:**

**Federal** The Board is not aware of any federal counterparts.

**State** The proposed rule amendments regarding unprofessional conduct, non-refundable fees and stays/reconsiderations of disciplinary are similar to rules for most of the health-related licensing boards, committees, and councils. The proposed change in the rules regulating schools of nursing to have them located in their own chapter will resemble chapters of rules that are similar at the Board of Dentistry, the Tennessee

**Medical Laboratory Board, and the Tennessee Massage  
Licensure Board.**